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#### (54) MODULAR HIGH VOLTAGE POWER SUPPLY FOR CHEMICAL ANALYSIS

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#### (57) ABSTRACT

A high voltage power supply for use in a system such as a microfluidics system, uses a DC-DC converter in parallel with a voltage-controlled resistor. A feedback circuit provides a control signal for the DC-DC converter and voltage-controlled resistor so as to regulate the output voltage of the high voltage power supply, as well as, to sink or source current from the high voltage supply.

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